Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes, that must be one of the factors which caused the increase.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether the Government are doing anything that may affect the visit of this large number of people to the Museum and the Zoo?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether they have passed orders to transfer the Museum to Ramavarmapuram?

Rama Varmha Tampuran—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what is the increase of population of Trichur from 1100 to 1107?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It must have risen by over 15 per cent, I should think.

Apprehension of out-break of small-pox in Trichur Town.

430. **Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.**— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether an out-break of small-pox is apprehended within the Trichur Municipal Council limits this year; and

(b) what steps have been taken to combat it?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Not for certain.

(b) Vaccination and re-vaccination are conducted vigorously.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know the number of cases of small-pox treated in the contagious shed last year?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know whether any new vaccinators have been appointed for the purpose?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I think one has been appointed.

Application for study leave by a Sanitary Inspector.

431. **Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any of the Sanitary Inspectors in the service of the Trichur Municipality requested for study leave to take a European degree in Public Health and Hygiene;

(b) what were the proposals made in this behalf; and

(c) how the application was disposed of?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of the answer to question (a).

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Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know whether there is any idea of the Municipality to depute an officer to take a degree in Hygiene and Public Health?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No, so far as the Government know.

Site for theoccupation of the Valans of Thoosam.

432. Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Valans of Thoosam who objected to shift to Pachalam have petitioned Government for permission to occupy Survey No. 257 of the Ernakulam village or any other adjoining site;

(b) whether any enquiry was made in the matter, and report obtained;

(c) and why the said request of the Valans could not be sanctioned?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The request can be considered only after the completion of the Railway Conversion Scheme and the delimitation of the Railway lands in the locality.

Loans granted to Municipalities.

433. Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Will the Government be pleased to state how much of the loans granted by Government to the several Municipalities in the State remains unpaid on the 1st Kumbham 1108?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—(1) Out of the loan of Rs. 50,000 granted to the Ernakulam Municipal Council for purposes of Town Improvements a sum of Rs. 551—5—9 has still to be paid to the Municipality.

(ii) The following amounts are pending recovery on 1st of Kumbham 1108.

(a) Trichur Municipality Rs. 476.

(b) Ernakulam Municipality Rs. 57,781—15—7.

Chittur Magistrate's Court.

434. Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any representations have been received by the District Magistrate or the Government for the supply of furniture in the Chittur Magistrate's Court;

(b) whether any recommendations have been made to the Government by the District Magistrate regarding the same;

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